

and the siting approval shall be granted only if proposed list of criteria is met. Solid waste disposal area or a solid waste processing facility is necessary, very important. We don't want to have a redundancy of landfills out there or processing facilities. The economic viability of these facilities is very important. You do not want to have too many. As a matter of fact, one of the key concerns of siting a landfill is that you basically have a monopoly on the waste in that area to make it viable. You have to have that almost. So we're not trying to squash competition, but we also want to make sure that we aren't pushing these folks that they have to go to other areas to seek out business or product to be able to survive. Number two, the solid waste disposal area or solid waste processing facility is designed, located and proposed to be operated so that the public health, safety and welfare will be protected. Pretty simple and pretty straightforward and honest, should be done in all cases, siting of anything. Three, the solid waste disposal area shall, or a facility should be located so it is to minimize the incompatibility with the character of the surrounding area and minimize the effect of the value on the surrounding property. For the plan of operation to the facility, should be designed to minimize the danger to the surrounding area for fires, spills and other operational accidents. Number five, you must study the traffic patterns to minimize the disruption of existing traffic flows. Number six, they will insist on information regarding the previous operating experience of the agency applicant and its subsidiaries or parent corporations and any corporation or parent company or subsidiary thereof, if they've been convicted of a felony within 10 years of the date of the application as filed, they shall not be granted site approval. And then we go on through the bill offering hearing and notice. There should be notice in newspapers and the proper channels of the application; notice to property owners within a certain distance; should be notice of public hearings; there shall be at least one public hearing on the siting and the license granting, or license application, excuse me. And we go through a whole list and a whole time line of how soon you must notify. It's similar to open meetings procedures; how soon you must notify; where you must notify and what sort of time frame in days that the whole process can take. And I think Senator Beutler will expound on that a little bit. I think is a very, very reasonable thing for us to consider doing. If we want to avoid or at least "minimize" the conflict and controversy that we face, potentially face, in the future for the many sitings we will be looking at, this is a very reasoned approach. It opens